

INSTRUCTIONS
High Seas Fishing Permit Application

A separate application must be completed for each vessel. Type or print legibly in ink; retain a copy of each completed application.

If you have questions about these permits, please call the RAM Division at 907-586-7202 or 800-304-4846.

SUBMITTAL

Submit the following to:

NMFS Restricted Access Management (RAM) Program
P.O. Box 21668
Juneau, AK 99802-1668.

1. **Application.** The completed High Seas Fishing Permit Application
2. **Form CG-1270.** A copy of current USCG vessel documentation, Form CG-1270. Include copy of current decal endorsement, if necessary, as proof of existence of current documentation. If the vessel is not USCG documented, attach a photocopy of the vessel's current state or tribal registration. Insure that any photocopies are completely legible.
3. **Fifty dollars.** A \$50 check or money order for the application fee payable to "U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - NOAA" .
4. **Certificate of incorporation.** If the vessel is owned by a corporation or partnership, a copy of the certificate of incorporation or partnership agreement, including the names and addresses of all individuals owning 25 percent or more of the corporation or partnership
5. **Supplemental flag information,** if appropriate (see Block D)

BLOCK A - IDENTIFICATION

- 1) Enter the U.S. Coast Guard Official Documentation Number assigned to the vessel. If the vessel is not USCG documented, leave blank.
- 2) Enter the current name of the vessel.
- 3) Enter the International Radio Call Sign (IRCS) currently assigned to the vessel. If none, so indicate.
- 4) Enter the vessel type. Use one of the following codes:
 - 01 Trawler
 - 02 Purse seiner
 - 03 Other seiner
 - 04 Gill netter
 - 05 Trap setter

- 06 Long liner
- 07 Other liner (enter code and identify type)
- 08 Multipurpose vessel (enter code and identify type)
- 09 Other fishing vessel (enter code and identify type)
- 10 Mothership

5) Enter the normal number of crew the vessel carries.

6) Enter the total hold capacity in cubic meters. To calculate hold capacity in cubic meters, first multiply hold width x length x height, in feet (to determine hold capacity in cubic feet), and convert to cubic meters by multiplying the total number of cubic feet by 0.028317. For example, 10' x 10' x 10' = 1000 cubic feet, and 1000 multiplied by 0.028317 is 28.3 cubic meters. Repeat, if necessary, for each hold to arrive at total hold capacity in cubic meters.

7) Enter the name, address and voice and fax phone numbers of the vessel owner. If the vessel is owned by a corporation or partnership, attach a copy of the certificate of incorporation or partnership agreement, including the names and addresses of all individuals owning 25 percent or more of the corporation or partnership.

8) Enter the name, address and voice and fax phone numbers of the vessel operator.

9) If appropriate, enter the name, address and voice and fax phone numbers of an individual designated by the owner(s) to serve as the agent for service of legal process for the vessel. If the vessel owner will serve as agent for service of legal process(i.e., will be responsible for accepting and answering any legal notices, citations, etc., issued in connection with the HSFCA), so indicate. This individual should be a U.S. citizen.

BLOCK B - AGREEMENTS

10) Using as a reference the following list of Agreements (see Appendix for more information), list the abbreviation(s) for any Agreement(s) under which the vessel intends to conduct fishing operations. Use commas to separate abbreviations. If the vessel will conduct fishing operations under none of the Agreements, so indicate.

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL LIVING MARINE RESOURCE AGREEMENTS RECOGNIZED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

ABBREVIATION AGREEMENT

CCAMLR	Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources
CCAS	Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Seals
DONUT	Convention on the Conservation and Management of Pollock Resources of the Central Bering Sea
ETPDOL	Agreement to Reduce Dolphin Mortality in the Eastern Tropical Pacific Tuna Fishery
IATTC	Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica for the Establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission
ICCAT	International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas

IWC	International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling
LOOP	Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Concerning Co-operation in the Field of Fisheries
NASCO	Convention for the Conservation of Salmon in the North Atlantic Ocean
NAFO	Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries
NEAFO	Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in North-East Atlantic Fisheries
NPAFC	Convention for the Conservation of Anadromous Stocks in the North Pacific Ocean
SBFT	Convention for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna
SPDFN	Convention for the Prohibition of Fishing with Long Driftnets in the South Pacific Ocean
SPTT	Treaty on Fisheries Between the Governments of Certain Pacific Island States and the Government of the United States of America

BLOCK C - FAO STATISTICAL AREAS

11) Using as a reference the attached chart depicting Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) major fishing areas for statistical purposes, list the area(s) in which the vessel intends to operate on the high seas. Use commas to separate numeric areas. You must indicate one or more areas.

INLAND WATERS

- 01 Africa - inland waters
- 02 America, North - inland waters
- 03 America, South - inland waters
- 04 Asia - inland waters
- 05 Europe - inland waters
- 06 Oceania - inland waters
- 07 Former USSR area - inland waters
- 08 Antarctica - inland waters

MARINE AREAS

- 18 Arctic Sea
- 21 Atlantic, Northwest
- 27 Atlantic, Northeast
- 31 Atlantic, Western Central
- 34 Atlantic, Eastern Central
- 37 Mediterranean and Black Seas
- 41 Atlantic, Southwest
- 47 Atlantic, Southeast
- 48 Atlantic, Antarctic

INDIAN OCEAN AND ADJACENT SEAS

- 51 Indian Ocean, Western
- 57 Indian Ocean, Eastern
- 58 Indian Ocean, Antarctic

PACIFIC OCEAN AND ADJACENT SEAS

- 61 Pacific, Northwest
- 67 Pacific, Northeast
- 71 Pacific, Eastern Central
- 81 Pacific, Southwest
- 87 Pacific, Southeast
- 88 Pacific, Antarctic

SOUTH OCEANS AND ADJACENT SEAS

- 48 Atlantic, Antarctic
- 58 Indian Ocean, Antarctic
- 88 Pacific, Antarctic

BLOCK D - FLAG INFORMATION

12) Answer "yes" or "no" as appropriate. If yes, insure that all supplemental information requested is reported accurately and completely.

13) Answer "yes" or "no" as appropriate. If yes, insure that all supplemental information requested is reported accurately and completely.

BLOCK E - SIGNATURE

Enter date signed, signature, and print name of person signing application.

APPENDIX
To Instructions for Vessel Application for High Seas Fishing Permit

INTERNATIONAL LIVING MARINE RESOURCE AGREEMENTS
RECOGNIZED BY THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

This appendix lists the international living marine resource agreements recognized by the United States of America. The holder of a permit under the High Seas Fishing Compliance Act must act in compliance with these agreements, including any international conservation and management measures implementing them.

1) Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT)

- a) Agreement: International Convention for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT), 1969 (TIAS 6767)
- b) Implementing Legislation: Atlantic Tunas Convention Act of 1975 (16 U.S.C. 971 et seq.)
- c) Code of Federal Regulations
 - 50 CFR 630 - Atlantic Swordfish Fishery
 - 50 CFR 285 - Atlantic Tuna Fisheries
- d) Contact
 - International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas
 - c/o Estebanez Calderon, No 3-80
 - 28020, Madrid, Spain

 - phone: 011-34-1-579-3352
 - fax: 011-34-1-571-5229

2) Eastern Tropical Pacific Tuna (IATTC and ETPDOL)

- a) Agreement: Convention between the United States of America and the Republic of Costa Rica for the Establishment of an Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC), 1949 (TIAS 2044)

Agreement to Reduce Dolphin Mortality in the Eastern Tropical Pacific Tuna Fishery (ETPDOL), La Jolla, CA 1992
- b) Implementing Legislation: Tuna Conventions Act of 1950 (16 U.S.C. 951-961)
- c) Code of Federal Regulations
 - 50 CFR 216.24 - Taking and related acts incidental to commercial fishing operations
 - 50 CFR 300, Subpart C - Pacific Tuna Fisheries
- d) Contact
 - Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission
 - c/o Scripps Institute of Oceanography
 - 8604 La Jolla Shores Drive
 - La Jolla, CA 92037-1508

phone: 619-546-7100
fax: 619-546-7133

Director, Southwest Region
National Marine Fisheries Service
501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200
Long Beach, CA 90802-4213

phone: 310-980-4000
fax: 310-980-4047

3) North Atlantic Salmon (NASCO)

- a) Agreement: Convention for the Conservation of Salmon in the North Atlantic Ocean (NASCO), 1982 (TIAS 10789)
- b) Implementing Legislation: Atlantic Salmon Convention Act of 1982 (16 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.)
- c) Code of Federal Regulations: 50 CFR part 648, Subpart C - Management measures for Atlantic Salmon

All fishing for Atlantic salmon is prohibited on the high seas.

- d) Contact
North Atlantic Salmon Conservation Organization
11 Rutland Square
Edinburgh, EH1 2AS Scotland
United Kingdom

phone: 031-228-2551
fax: 031-228-4384

4) Northwest Atlantic Fisheries (NAFO)

- a) Agreement: Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries, 1979
- b) Implementing Legislation: Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Convention Act of 1995 (16 U.S.C. 5601 et seq.)

On November 29, 1995, the United States joined the North Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO), which manages living marine resources in the area roughly north of 35 degrees north latitude, and west of 42 degrees west latitude in the waters beyond areas of national jurisdiction with the exception of: salmon, tunas, swordfish, marlins, cetacean stocks managed by the International Whaling Commission (IWC), and sedentary species of the Continental Shelf.

At present, NAFO prohibits directed fishing for:
Cod in Division 3NO
American plaice in Divisions 3M and 3LNO
Yellowtail flounder in Division 3LNO

Witch flounder in Division 3NO
Capelin in Division 3NO

Because quota shares have not yet been established for the United States, U.S. fishing is prohibited for:

Cod in Division 3M
Redfish in Divisions 3M and 3LN
Greenland halibut in Division 3LMNO
Illex squid in Subareas 3+4

- c) Code of Federal Regulations: None
- d) Contact
Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization
192 Wyse Road
Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada B2Y 3Y9

phone: 902-469-9105
fax: 902-469-5729

5) North Pacific Salmon (NPAFC)

- a) Agreement: Convention for the Conservation of Anadromous Stocks in the North Pacific Ocean, 1992
- b) Implementing Legislation: The North Pacific Anadromous Stocks Act of 1992
(16 U.S.C. 5001 et seq.)

All fishing for Pacific salmon is prohibited on the high seas

- c) Code of Federal Regulations: None
- d) Contact
North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission
6640 Northwest Marine Drive
Vancouver, B.C., Canada V6T 1X2

phone: 604-228-1128
fax: 604-228-1135

6) Central Bering Sea Pollock (DONUT)

- a) Agreement: Convention on the Conservation and Management of Pollock Resources of the Central Bering Sea, 1995 (Treaty Doc. 103-27)

The Parties to the Convention have agreed to continue the moratorium on fishing in the Central Bering Sea, so it is unlawful for any U.S. vessel to conduct fishing operations in that area. The only exception is trial fishing, which may be conducted by no more than two U.S. vessels at any time. A license holder interested in trial fishing must contact the Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS.

If the Parties to the Convention agree to resume fishing in the Central Bering Sea, the Regional

Administrator, Alaska Region, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), will notify license applicants who indicated an interest in fishing in that area. Revised license conditions will be issued to govern U.S. vessels participating in such fishery.

- b) Implementing Legislation: None, but see the Central Bering Sea Fisheries Enforcement Act (16 U.S.C. 1823 note).
- c) Code of Federal Regulations: None
- d) Contact
Regional Administrator, Alaska Region
National Marine Fisheries Service
P.O. 21668
Juneau, AK 99802-1668

phone: 907-586-7228
fax: 907-586-7131

7) **Antarctic Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR)**

- a) Agreement: Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Marine Living Resources, 1982 (TIAS 10240)
- b) Implementing Legislation: Antarctic Marine Living Resources Convention Act of 1984 (16 U.S.C. 2431 et seq.)
- c) Code of Federal Regulations: 50 CFR 300, Subpart G - Antarctic Marine Living Resources
- d) Contact
Commission for the Conservation of Antarctic
Marine Living Resources (CCAMLR)
25 Old Warf
Hobart, Tasmania 7000 Australia

phone: 61-02-31-0366
fax: 61-02-23-2714

8) **Whaling (IWC)**

- a) Agreement: International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling, 1946 (TIAS 1849)
- b) Implementing Legislation: Whaling Convention Act of 1949 (16 U.S.C. 916-9161)
- c) Code of Federal Regulations
50 CFR 230 - Whaling Provisions
- d) Contact
International Whaling Commission (IWC)
The Red House
Station Road, Histon

Cambridge, CB4 4NP, United Kingdom

phone: 011-44-1223-233-971

fax: 011-44-1223-232-876

9) South Pacific Tuna (SPTT)

- a) Agreement: Treaty on Fisheries Between the Governments of Certain Pacific Island States and the Government of the United States of America (SPTT), 1987
- b) Implementing Legislation: South Pacific Tuna Act of 1988 (16 U.S.C. 973 et seq.)
- c) Code of Federal Regulations: 50 CFR 300, Subpart D - South Pacific Tuna Fisheries
- d) Contact
Regional Administrator, Southwest Region
National Marine Fisheries Service
501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200
Long Beach, CA 90802-4213

phone: 310-980-4000

fax: 310-980-4047

10) Antarctic Seals (CCAS)

- a) Agreement: Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Seals (CCAS)
- b) Implementing Legislation: None, but see the Marine Mammal Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.).

The taking of Antarctic seals, except for scientific purposes, is prohibited.
- c) Code of Federal Regulations: None
- d) Contact
Director, Office of Protected Resources
National Marine Fisheries Service
1315 East-West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910

phone: 301-713-2322

fax: 301-713-0376

11) South Pacific Driftnet Fisheries (SPDFN)

- a) Agreement: Convention for the Prohibition of Fishing With Long Driftnets in the South Pacific Ocean, Wellington, New Zealand, 1989

- b) Implementing Legislation: None, but all large-scale driftnet fishing on the high seas is prohibited by the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1857 (1) (M)).
- c) Code of Federal Regulations: None
- d) Contact
Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries
National Marine Fisheries Service
1315 East-West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910

phone: 301-713-2337
fax: 301-713-0596

12) Northeast Atlantic Fisheries (NEAFO)

- a) Agreement: Convention on Future Multilateral Cooperation in Northeast Atlantic Fisheries (NEAFO)

While the United States is not a party to this convention, no directed fishing for fish stocks managed under this agreement is permitted.
- b) Implementing Legislation: None
- c) Code of Federal Regulations: None
- d) Contact
Northeast Atlantic Fisheries Commission
426 Noble House, 17 Smith Square
London SW1P 3JR

phone: 011-44-171-238-5923
fax: 011-44-171-238-5721

13) Norway-Russia (LOOP)

- a) Agreement: Agreement Between the Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Concerning Cooperation in the Field of Fisheries (LOOP)

While the United States is not a party to this agreement, no directed fishing for fish stocks managed under this agreement is permitted.
- b) Implementing Legislation: None
- c) Code of Federal Regulations: None
- d) Contact
Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries
National Marine Fisheries Service
1315 East-West Highway

Silver Spring, MD 20910

phone: 301-713-2337

fax: 301-713-0596

14) Southern Bluefin Tuna (SBFT)

- a) Agreement: Convention for the Conservation of Southern Bluefin Tuna (SBFT)

While the United States is not a party to this agreement, no directed fishing for fish stocks managed under this agreement is permitted.

- b) Implementing Legislation: None

- c) Code of Federal Regulations: None

- d) Contact

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National Marine Fisheries Service
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